

JEFFERSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT PASSES REVIEW BY STATE HEALTH OFFICIALS



Picture of Jefferson County Board of Health receiving the Level II Award Certificate.

Left to right back row: Emi Reiner, MPH, BSN, RN, Public Health Nurse and Chair of the Jefferson County Drug Free Coalition; Tyler Kubicek, RS, Environmental Health; Dr. Don Williams, Board of Health Chair and Health Department Medical Advisor; Dick Schultz, County Board Supervisor and Board of Health member

Left to right front row: Diane Nelson, MS, BSN, RN, Public Health Program Manager; Gail Scott, BSN, RN, Director/Health Officer; Maria Dabel, Board of Health member; Christina Beach Baumgartner, Division of Public Health Southern Region Office Director; Amy Fairfield, BSN, RN, Public Health Nurse; Vicki Gallardo, RDT, WIC Program; Sam LaMuro, Board of Health member

MADISON—State health officials announced that the Jefferson County Health Department has successfully passed the State’s Health Department review. As a result, the Jefferson County Health Department will maintain their Level II status. The Jefferson County Board of Health accepted the award certificate at their January 16, 2019 meeting.

“Local Public Health staff help make their community a healthier place in which to live, play, work, and learn,” said Christina Beach Baumgartner, Director, Southern Region Office, Division of Public Health, Department of Health Services. “The department has an actively engaged and supportive Board of Health, and does an excellent job of assessing the needs of the community, developing programs and services to meet those needs, collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and communicating with the public.”

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services is required to formally review the operations of all 86 Wisconsin Local Health Departments at the county or municipality level at least every five years. The review establishes the Health Department as a level I, II or III agency. All agencies must meet the minimum requirements of a level I Health Department and agencies must provide an additional 7 to 14 programs or services to meet the requirements of a level II or III Health Department.

“Jefferson County Health Department has a hard working and dedicated staff who are passionate about Public Health and helping those in need,” stated Gail Scott, Director/Health Officer. “They are always willing to enhance their skills and develop and implement new programs that promote health in the community.”

The Jefferson County Health Department provides services important to the community, such as:

- Talk Read Play Home Visit Program
- Public Health Emergency Preparedness
- Environmental Health
- Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention 5 to 9 Program
- WIC and Breastfeeding Cofective Program
- Mental Health Services, Vivitrol and Mental Health Medication Program
- Child Safety and Injury Prevention Program
- Jefferson County Drug Free Coalition
- Prenatal Care Coordination
- Communicable Disease Prevention and Control
- Immunizations
- Active member of many organizations and coalitions

For information about the Jefferson County Health Department contact:
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